



MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
**DRAFT - MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 8, 2013**

2:00-3:30pm, Town Hall, Conference Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: G. Bent (co-chair), A. Bladen, K. Grunwald (staff), R. Leclerc (staff), K. Krider (staff), C. Guerreri, A. Vincent and S. Delia (staff)

<b>WHAT (Topic)</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
Call to Order	G. Bent called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm.	
Minutes	Review of Minutes of April 10, 2013	<i>The April 10, 2013 Minutes were approved by consensus.</i>
New Business	<p><b>1. Plan for Succession</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vicki Fry has resigned as Co-Chair of MAC.</li> <li>• Gloria Bent's last meeting as Co-Chair will be in August.</li> <li>• New Co-Chairs would start in September.</li> <li>• K. Grunwald suggested going outside current MAC members</li> <li>• Some possible people for Co-Chair were discussed.</li> <li>• K. Krider spoke to Home Care providers about becoming members of MAC.</li> <li>• Questions about mandatory membership in MAC for one School Readiness family from each Center.</li> <li>• Another possibility is to recruit at the Senior Center.</li> <li>• Send out a Call for Membership.</li> <li>• Questions about what type of training would be available for members becoming MAC Co-Chair. C. Guerreri mentioned that there is Graustein Leadership Training available in August 2013.</li> <li>• G. Bent will ask one person to be Co-Chair, K. Krider will ask one person to be Co-Chair.</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Community Champion</b></p>	<p><i>Ask Cindy Dainton to help with a recruitment announcement for the Senior Center.</i></p> <p><i>Kathleen and Sarah to draft message for new members to distribute via Q-Notify List.</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Several names were mentioned as possible Community Champions</li> <li>• Criteria for the Community Champion is personal visibility, a platform, a ready-made audience.</li> <li>• The message would be crafted by MAC, this person would be the spokesperson.</li> <li>• Women's Soccer Team was mentioned, A, Bladen knows one of the coaches and will make the request.</li> </ul> <p><b>3. Questions about Mansfield Plan Revision</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Plan should be completed in June</li> <li>• The Plan will be presented to the full MAC at their August meeting.</li> <li>• There were also some questions about the new revised budget for the Town.</li> </ul> <p><b>4. There was some discussion about Human Services and the Transition Plan for the Director.</b></p>	<p><i>Anne Bladen and Kathleen Krider will have a conversation concerning this request.</i></p>
Announcement	<p>The Jeffrey P. Ossen Foundation has awarded the Community Playground Committee \$200,000.00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was discussion about involving Eileen Ossen as an advocated for the Playground.</li> <li>• A Press Release will be published soon about the award.</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 3:24 pm.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, June 5, 2013</b>  <b>5:00pm – 5:30pm</b> Arrival and Dinner  <b>5:30pm – 7:30pm</b> MAC Meeting</p> <p>Next Executive Council meeting:</p> <p><b>Wednesday, June 12, 2013</b>  <b>2:00pm – 3:30pm</b>  At Town Hall in Conference Room B.</p> <p>Agenda topics: Please send to Kathleen at <a href="mailto:kriderk@mansfieldct.org">kriderk@mansfieldct.org</a></p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Sarah Delia  Assistant to Early Childhood Services Coordinator</p>	

**All Mansfield Children ages birth through 8 years old are healthy, successful learners, and their families are connected to the community.**